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15 July 1954

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: The James H. Doolittle Committee.

1. The Doolittle Committee, consisting of General James H. Doolittle, Mr. William D. Pawley, and Mr. William B. Franke, reported on 13 July 1954. I have not seen the Committee's charter but it is my understanding that it is a somewhat broader charter than that which the Director understood it would have. In any case, it does not seem to me that even if the Committee concentrates on the Clandestine Services it can carry on its study without involving the central administrative offices.

2. I had dinner at Mr. Dulles' house with this group on Tuesday night and lunched with them in the Director's Dining Room on Wednesday. At the lunch it was decided that they would leave Washington after being briefed as to our general problems, etc., at the close of business on Wednesday and that General Doolittle and Mr. Franke would return on the 26th of July, Mr. Pawley joining them on the 29th.

3. Pat Coyne of the National Security Council is also an advisor to the Committee and Mr. Bromley is expected to come aboard later to look into the legal aspects of our operations.

4. Mr. Franke indicated that he would probably want to start work with the Comptroller on 26 July. I told Ed Saunders to be available.

25X1A9A 5. Have arranged to take Frank Wisner's offices in this Building for the Doolittle group which will probably be here for about six weeks. [] has been instructed to get them ready not later than 23 July, at which time General Doolittle probably will be in town.

25X1A9A 6. Have also arranged with [] to furnish one secretary and have asked [] to make arrangements with the Logistics Office to have a car assigned to the Committee.

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